Public Notice - Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality to limit air pollution emitted by a facility in Buchanan County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: February 6, 2014 to March 10, 2014

PERMIT NAME: Federal Operating Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the Air Pollution Control Board

APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS: Buchanan Generation, LLC; c/o FirstEnergy Inc; 800 Cabin Hill Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601

FACILITY NAME, ADDRESS AND REGISTRATION NUMBER: Buchanan Generating Facility; off State Route 2, southwest of Marvin, VA, Registration No. 11390

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Buchanan Generation has applied for a renewal of the operating permit for the Buchanan Generating Facility, located off State Route 2 in Buchanan County. The facility is classified as a major source of air pollution. The permit is for a natural gas-fired peaking electric power generation facility powered by two General Electric LM 6000PC Sprint gas turbines. There is no proposed change in emissions, as the renewal of the operating permit involves no change in equipment, permitted consumption of natural gas, or permitted pollutant emission levels.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. Please note this draft permit is being concurrently reviewed as a proposed permit by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Mike Gregory; Southwest Regional Office, 355-A Deadmore Street, Abingdon, VA 24210 Phone: (276) 676-4834; E-mail: William.Gregory@deq.virginia.gov; Fax: (276) 676-4899. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.